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Plessey appoints Maarten Klein as Head Agronomist for PhytoLux

PLYMOUTH, ENGLAND – 8 June 2016 – Plessey announced today the appointment of Maarten Klein as Head Agronomist to provide specialist expertise for Plessey's horticultural lighting solutions. Maarten brings specialist expertise in the use of LED lighting for growing commercial crops, developed whilst he was the Research Director at Delphy in Wageningen, Holland.

Maarten Klein said, "Having spent some time with the Plessey team and working with their Phytolux products, I am convinced they have the winning solution. I have been impressed with their commitment to understanding the problems being faced by individual commercial growers and working in collaboration with them to provide commercially viable, LED lighting solutions. Plessey are undoubtedly at the forefront of delivering efficient, economic and effective plant growth lighting. The future is exciting and I am looking forward to working with such a focused team."

Steve Edwards, Head of Horticultural LED fixtures at Plessey, said, "We are delighted that Maarten has agreed to join us. Maarten's expertise will be invaluable in supporting our planned growth in the horticultural market especially in the very challenging Dutch market. Whether growing indoors or in greenhouses and with a vast variety of commercial products, Maarten will ensure that we can develop our business globally."

Plessey recently announced on 11th April 2016 that they had signed a global exclusive licence agreement with Phytolux for the manufacture, design and commercialisation of their products including the Attis set of horticultural lighting products.



(L to R) Michael LeGoff, CEO of Plessey, Maarten Klein and Steve Edwards inspecting a trial using PhytoLux grow lights in Holland.



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Plessey is a leading expert in the manufacture of semiconductor products used in sensing, measurement and controls applications, and is now at the forefront of the solid state lighting revolution. Its MaGIC™ (Manufactured on GaN-on-Si I/C) LED technology has won numerous awards for its innovation and ability to cut the cost of LED lighting by using standard silicon chip manufacturing techniques. By using its understanding of electronics and expertise in micro-electronic product design and manufacture, Plessey is radically enhancing the human experience with micro-electronics solutions such that people achieve more than they thought possible.

Plessey has a global exclusive license agreement to manufacture and sell the PhytoLux® horticultural lighting solutions and has taken on the operational, technical and commercial activities of PhytoLux. This collaboration combines the best of British design engineering to provide world-class LED plant growth lighting solutions for the global market. To view the press release relating to this licensing agreement please follow this link; [Press Release](#)

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